

CHS Beats Pocahontas

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Rolfe

Pocahontas Catholic shook off its case of jitters first and beat cross-town rival Pocahontas High school in a roughly-played first round sectional contest here Tuesday night, 45-36.

It is believed to be the first time the two schools have ever met in basketball.

Because of the pressure neither team played as well as they have during the season, especially in the first half when at times there were more bad passes than good ones.

The Eagles lost the services of Mike Eichler for most of the second half when he reinjured an ankle. He appeared briefly in the second half but stayed on the floor only about a minute.

Both teams settled down somewhat in the second half and the Indians made a comeback in the early moments of the fourth period that cut the Eagles' lead to four points at 35-31 on two quick field goals by Ron Meeske who ended up the game's high scorer with 17 points.

The losers stayed within five to seven points until the final minute of play when Ron Drobney hit seven seconds from the end.

Both teams lost players on fouls. Pocahontas High lost Tom Mick with 7:35 to play and Pocahontas High lost Tom Mick with 7:35 to play and Pocahontas Catholic lost Neil Peterson with 3:05 left.

POCAHONTAS High held its only lead at 2-0 on Meeske's set shot from the outside. Seconds later Peterson dumped in a jump shot to tie the game and two free throws by Drobney and another fielder by Peterson gave the winners the lead for good.

The Eagles had a 19-9 lead late in the second period and took a 19-12 lead by halftime.

IN THE third period Pocahontas Catholic led, 23-14 before three straight free throws cut it to 23-17. Later, with the score 28-20, Jerry Hanson scored from the circle, Meeske pushed in another one and the lead was cut to 28-24.

The Eagles' superior speed was the difference in the end as they stole several passes and used reserves Mike Rigby and Shors for late buckets.

Pocahontas Catholic will play Pomeroy Thursday night at 8:30 p. m. in the second of two semi-final games here. In the first game Gilmore City meets Newell.

A crowd of about 800, mostly from Pocahontas, watched the game.

POCAHONTAS CATHOLIC 45				
	FG	FT-A	F	TP
Drobney	5	3-4	2	13
Schumacher	2	1-2	1	5
Scott	0	0-1	3	0
Peterson	4	0-2	5	8
Eichler	1	1-3	0	3
Rigby	4	1-2	3	9
Rhodes	0	0-1	1	0
Shors	3	0-1	1	6
L. Tuttle	0	1-2	2	1
Crotty	0	0-0	1	0
Totals	19	7-18	18	45
POCAHONTAS 36				
	FG	FT-A	F	TP
Mick	0	1-2	5	1
Anderson	0	4-5	5	4
Hanson	3	1-1	3	7
Moe	1	0-1	0	2
Meeske	7	3-3	0	17
Boyd	1	3-4	0	5
Heat	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	12	12-21	12	36
Score by Quarters				
Pocahontas Catholic	11	19	28	45
Pocahontas	4	13	20	36
Team Records: Pocahontas Catholic (15-6); Pocahontas High (13-12).				
Officials: John Grace, Emmetsburg; Frank Dogoteh, Whittemore.				

Face Each Other In Sectional Tourney Play



Facing each other in sectional basketball tournament play next week will be both Pocahontas high school boys teams. Pictured above are the Pocahontas Community school Indians, left to right, front row: Dick Bergstrom, Ron Meeske, Jerry Hanson, Tom Mick, Doug Anderson, Mgr. Bob Payer. Back row: Ass't. Coach Keith Hall, Jack Wagner, John Boyd, John Waterman, Craig Kent, Dan Tate, Terry Moe, Jack Mayberry and Coach Dick Braunschweig.

In the lower picture are the Pocahontas Catholic school Eagles, front row: Mike Crotty, Ron Drobney, Tom Peters, John Rhodes, Mike Eichler. Second row: Mick Rigby, Larry Tuttle, Ron Schumacher, Dave Shors. Back row: Coach Dick Wiedenfeld, George Tuttle, John Scott and Neil Peterson.

The teams play at Rolfe next Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m.